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In re Application of: )  
Takehiko SHIODA et al. ) Confirmation No.: 9634  
Application No.: 09/892,791 ) Group Art Unit: 2621  
Filed: June 28, 2001 ) Examiner: Helen Shibru  
For: STORAGE MEDIUM, APPARATUS FOR )  
CREATING RECORDATION DATA THEREFOR )  
AND APPARATUS FOR RESTORING )  
RECORDED DATA )

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced Application.

The listed documents were cited in a Japanese Search Report dated October, 16, 2007 in a counterpart Japanese patent application. A copy of the Japanese Search Report is enclosed along with a copy of the cited documents. As for any documents listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 that is in a language other than English, relevance can be understood from an enclosed English abstract or at least partial translation or from mention in the specification or search report for a corresponding application.

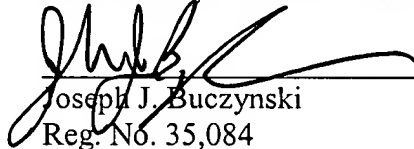
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If it should be determined that the listed documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such document. Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed document, should the document be applied against the claims of the present application.

**Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this Application, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required and including any required extension of time fees, *or* credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0573. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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